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For: Method and Apparatus for a Two-Step	§	Atty Docket:	MICS:0117/MAN/LIU
Resist Soft Bake to Prevent ILD	§		02-1051
Outgassing During Semiconductor	§		
Processing	§		

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND  
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 22, 2010**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 22, 2010 and the Advisory Action mailed on May 19, 2010, Applicants have elected to file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) to continue prosecution of the present case. This response is Applicants' submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.